

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

*In re* application of:  
Roland REINER *et al.*  
Appl. No. 10/599,980  
§371 Date: 3 April 2007  
For: **Injectable Crosslinked And  
Uncrosslinked Alginates And The Use  
Thereof In Medicine And In Cosmetic  
Surgery**

Art Unit: 1623  
Examiner: Ganapathy KRISHNAN  
Atty. Docket: 067802-5008-US  
Confirmation No.: 7700  
Customer No.: 09629

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION and RCE SUBMISSION**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

This communication is being submitted in response to the Final Office Action of 14 November 2008.

Applicants do not believe that any extensions of time are necessary to maintain the pendency of this application beyond what may be submitted herewith. If, however, any additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required, including fees for net addition of claims, are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

**Amendments to the claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 5.